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In re application of

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Enclosed are copies of the following documents: DE 198 11 900, DE 195 04 386, WO 92/13984, WO 98/17844, and WO 99/30672. These documents are also listed on the attached form PTO-1449. DE '900, DE '386, WO '984, WO '844, and WO '672 are discussed in applicants' specification. See, e.g., page 3, line 16 - page 4, line 6 and page 7, lines 30-33.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted within three months of the filing date of the instant application. Thus, no fee is required. See 37 CFR §1.97. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to confirm review of such documents by initialing and returning the attached PTO-1449.

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